In re PATENT application of:

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NOTICE OF RELATED APPLICATION

Commissioner for Patents and Trademarks

Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

In accordance with the provisions of 37 C.F.R. 1.56 and 37 C.F.R. 1.97-1.99, it is requested that the reference(s) listed on the attached Form PTO-1449 be made of record in the above-identified application. Copies of the references are submitted herewith in accordance with 37 C.F.R. 1.98(a).

The documents are being submitted within three (3) months of the filing of this application or entry into the national stage of this application, or before the first Office Action on the merits, whichever is later, therefore no fee or certification is required under 37 C.F.R § 1.97(b).

The Examiner's attention is directed to related application Serial No. 09/038,903 filed March 12, 1998.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge fees under 37 C.F.R. §§1.16, 1.17, 1.20(a), 1.20(b), 1.20(c), and 1.20(d) (except the Issue Fee) which may be required now or hereafter, or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 19-2380. A duplicate copy of this sheet is attached.

Respectfully submitted,

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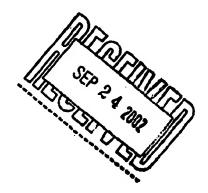
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